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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: ROK ELECTRONIC SWITCHING SYSTEM (ESS)
PROJECT

REF: STATE 294866

1. THE ROKG HAS SELECTED EUROPEAN SUBSIDIARY OF INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH AND FUJITSU TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY TO COMPETE FOR FINAL SELECTION AS THE ROKG PARTNER FOR THE PRODUCTION OF AN ELECTRONIC SWITCHING SYSTEM FOR TELEPHONES. FINAL SELECTION WILL BE MADE BY AUGUST 15, 1977. THESE TWO FIRMS WERE SELECTED FROM FIVE INITIAL CONTENDERS WHICH INCLUDED SIEMENS, NIPPON ELECTRIC CO. (NEC) AND GTE.

2. GTE INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT IT WAS WITHDRAWING BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT RESPOND TRUTHFULLY TO THE BID DOCUMENTS IN THE SHORT TIME THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN. GTE IS ALSO CONSIDERING MANUFACTURE OF A PABX SYSTEM IN KOREA. SIEMENS WILL REMAIN KOREA FOR EMD SWITCHING ONLY. NEC WAS ALLEGEDLY RELUCTANT TO TRANSFER SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNOLOGY.

3. ACCORDING TO ITT REPRESENTATIVES, IF ITT WINS, THE CONTRACT WILL BE SIGNED WITH BELL TELEPHONE MANUFACTURING COMPANY (ANTWERP) AND 35 PERCENT OF THE EQUIPMENT WILL ORIGINATE IN THE
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U.S. RELATED CONTRACTS FOR JOINT VENTURES IN SWITCHES, CONNECTORS AND SEMICONDUCTORS WILL BE SIGNED WITH INTERNATIONAL STANDARD ELECTRIC COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
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